

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Amend the paragraph starting in line 5 on page 9 as follows:

The lithium based battery of the present invention is characterized in that the outer peripheral surface of the battery container 6 is covered with the ion impermeable and extensible high polymer sheet 7 having a tensile elongation percentage of 1 % or more. ~~According to the present invention, to improve the tensile elongation percentage of the laminate high polymer film as the packaging material for forming the battery container 6, at least one of multiple layers of the laminated high polymer film may be made from the extensible high polymer sheet of the present invention.~~